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TO : Chief, FBIS

DATE: 7 December 1964

FROM : Chief, Tokyo Bureau

SUBJECT: Monthly Progress Report - November 1964

## I. OPERATIONS

### A. Monitorial

1. The Okinawa Bureau forwarded to this bureau belts containing a Peking broadcast intercepted on 18 November. The Tokyo Bureau's Mongolian-Tibetan monitor subsequently verified that the belts contained information in Mongolian regarding a new broadcast service by Peking in the Mongolian language. Arrangements were made for the Tokyo Bureau to record and process these transmissions when regular service begins on 1 December.
2. Processed wordage dropped 7.7% during the month. Total weekly hours monitored: 262.5 (all voice)

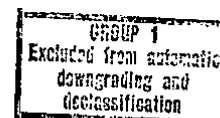
### B. Editorial

Reports of Japanese Communist and non-Communist reaction to the U.S. presidential election were filed to Headquarters on 8 November.

### C. Communications

1. Circuit conditions remained poor during November. Circuit outages on TWA and WTA remained exactly at the same level as occurred during October, that is, 55% and 32% respectively. As a result of increased pre-emption time on the TWB circuit, the total outage increased by 20% to a total of 87%. WTB outages decreased by 4%, although still at a high level of 83%. TWA and TWB were out simultaneously 47% of the time, an increase of 9% over the previous month and the highest total this year. Only the January total of 56% surpassed November's total. WTA and WTB were out simultaneously 26% of the time, a drop of 2%. Outages on the Tokyo to Okinawa circuit increased by 4% to a total of 7%, and the Okinawa to Tokyo circuit outages increased by 8% to a total of 13%.

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2. Pre-emptions on the TWB circuit totaled 412 hours, an increase of approximately 227 hours. TWA was not pre-empted during the month.
3. Approximately 44% of the messages transmitted to Washington were rerouted via common user circuits, due to the fact that the allocated send circuits were out simultaneously 47% of the time. This reroute percentage is the highest of the year and surpasses the 43% total rerouted during January.
4. Total bureau wordage including reruns increased by almost 15,000 words, while theater traffic decreased slightly from October's record high. The total of 12,248,830 marked the fourth consecutive month in which traffic has risen above the 12-million word level.

### D. Lateral Services

At his request, Mr. Harry Pollak, USIS Labor Adviser, Tokyo, is now receiving a copy of the Akahata table of contents daily.

### E. Technical

At the request of FTD, the 5th Air Force is fabricating for the bureau, a bureau-designed rack mounted unit for photographing TV images. The unit, using the bureau's Sony Micro TV receiver and Star Robot camera, is expected to be completed early next month.

## II. ADMINISTRATION

### A. Personnel

1. The Embassy Personnel Officer approved an upgrading of positions for bureau local employees in all job classifications. Promotion to the new higher grades will be on a merit basis.
2. The Embassy Security Officer has been requested to expedite provisional clearances for the three best qualified candidates for the bureau's Mandarin-English monitor vacancy. Clearances have also been requested for three Japanese-English monitor/translators so that they will be able to perform part-time work at the bureau if required.

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✓ B. Buildings and Grounds

The basement storage area was completed during the month. Plans are underway to move all bureau supplies from the Yokohama Consulate to the new area.

✓ C. Procurement

A Sony Micro TV set was purchased by the bureau during the month as previously approved by Headquarters.

III. OFFICIAL VISITS

A. To the Bureau

Lt. Col. R. Friend and Maj. J.H. Winterhalter, DET #4, FTD, 9 November.

Maj. Henry Schibi, DET #4, FTD, 18 and 24 November.

Y. Yamamoto and K. Harbidge, 500th Intelligence Corps Group, SIRA, 18 November.

A.L. Callahan, VOA Chief Engineer, Okinawa, 27 & 30 November.

B. By Bureau Personnel

The Bureau Chief and Editor  attended the Japan Intelligence Seminar hosted by the 6499th Support Group on 19 November.

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Attachments:

1. Classified Personnel Report
2. Foreign Personnel Report
3. Operations Report

cc:  (w/o attachments)

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